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Docket No.: 15685P081

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

JOHN T. ORCHARD, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/823,221

Filed: March 29, 2001

For: **A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
CONTROLLING A COMPUTING SYSTEM**

Art Group: 2863

Examiner: Tung S. Lau

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully  
Petition the Commissioner for a two (2) month extension of time, extending the period for response to July 13,  
2003, from the Office Action dated February 13, 2003. The petition filing fee of \$410.00 and a Response to Office  
Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being  
abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is  
enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

Date: July 11, 2003

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